AN ORDINANCE 99260

AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE, TITLED "BUILDING", PHASING OUT ALL NEW TESTING AND NEW LICENSING OF MECHANICAL LICENSES DEFERRING TO STATE LICENSE PROVISIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has been testing and licensing all mechanical contractors, both master and technician, doing business within the City; and

WHEREAS, in 1984 the State of Texas established state licensing regulations for mechanical contractors; and

WHEREAS, as the city's licensing is a duplication of the state's licensing provisions, the City of San Antonio now desires to defer all such testing and licensing to the state; and

WHEREAS, in order to allow those who have begun the process to be licensed by the city to complete their licensing requirements, the city will not cease its testing and licensing until those persons have the opportunity to complete the city's requirements; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Code of San Antonio, Texas is hereby amended as follows by adding the language that is underlined (<u>added</u>) and deleting the language that is stricken (deleted) to the existing text as set forth in this Ordinance.

Sec. 6-67. Amendments.

Section 118.3 A San Antonio mechanical license may be issued to any person who meets the prerequisites listed below, successfully completes the San Antonio mechanical examination and has paid the required license fee. Effective the last day of January 2005, the City no longer will administer examinations for new Technician licenses. Effective the last day of October 2007, the City no longer will administer examinations for new Master licences

SECTION 2. Should any Article, Section, Part, Paragraph, Sentence, Phrase, Clause, or Word of this ordinance, or any appendix thereof, for any reason, be held illegal, inoperative, or invalid or if any exception to or limitation upon any general provision herein contained be held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective, the remainder shall, nevertheless, stand effective and valid as if it had been enacted and ordained without the portion held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective.

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SECTION 3. No other provision of the City Code is amended hereby. All other provisions shall remain in effect. All city-issued mechanical contractor's licenses may continue to be renewed in accordance with the City Code if the license holder so wishes.

SECTION 4. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this ordinance, was given, all as required by Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated as amended Title 5, Chapter 551, Government Code.

SECTION 5. The publishers of the City Code are authorized to amend and format said Codes to reflect the changes adopted herein.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall become effective June 6, 2004.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of May, 2004.

ATTEST:

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EDWARD D. GARZA

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM!

City Attorney